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Addendum

In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolutions 1079 (XXIX), 1625 (LI), 1995/215, 1998/46 and 1998/47, the Secretary-General has the honour to nominate the 24 experts whose names and titles are listed below for appointment, in their personal capacity, as members of the Committee for Development Policy for a term beginning on 1 January 1999 and expiring on 31 December 2001. In making these nominations, the Secretary-General has taken into account the need to have diversity of development experience from ecologists, economists and social scientists, as well as geographical balance, gender balance and a balance between continuity and change in the membership of the Committee. In the list below, the names of persons who are being nominated for reappointment as members of the Committee are identified by an asterisk (*). Biographical information on the persons nominated is set out in the annex below.

Nominees

* Agusztinovics, Mária (Hungary): Professor of Economics, University of Budapest.

Alsogary, Maria Julia (Argentina): Secretary of the Secretariat for Natural Resources and Human Environment.

* Diouf, Makhtar (Senegal): Dean of Economics, University of St. Louis, Dakar; Chairman, Centre for Applied Economics.

* El-Hinnawi, Essam (Egypt): Professor, National Research Centre, Cairo.

* Faaland, Just (Norway): Member, Christian Michelsen Institute.

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Figueroa, Eugenio B. (Chile): Director, Centre of Environmental and Natural Resources Economics; Professor, Department of Economics, University of Chile.

Fishlow, Albert (United States of America): Paul A. Volcker Senior Fellow for International Economics, Council on Foreign Relations, United States.

* Gao, Shangquan (China): Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, and member, Overall Research and Coordinating Panel on National Economic and Social Development of the State Council.

Grigoriev, Leonid M. (Russian Federation): Director-General, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Russian Federation.

* Guillaumont, Patrick (France): Director, Centre for Study and Research for International Development, and Professor of Economics, University of Clermont-Ferrand.

* Hirono, Ryokichi (Japan): Professor of Economics, Seikei University, Tokyo.

* Kanaan, Taher (Jordan): Expert in economics and business.

* Katseli, Louka T. (Greece): Professor of Economics, University of Athens.

* Lipumba, Nguyuru H. I. (United Republic of Tanzania): Professor of Economics, University of Dar es Salaam.

* Monsod, Solita C. (Philippines): Professor of Economics, University of the Philippines.

Nayak, P. Jayendra (India): Executive Trustee, Unit Trust of India.

Pangestu, Mari Elka (Indonesia): Executive Director, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Jakarta, and Professor of Economics, University of Indonesia.

Panić, Milivoje (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland): Fellow of Selwyn College, University of Cambridge, and Visiting Professor of International Economics, University of Milan.

Park, Eul Yong (Republic of Korea): Vice-President and Professor of Economics and Management, Handong University.

* Persaud, Bishnodat (Guyana): Professor of Caribbean Sustainable Development, University of the West Indies; Director, Centre for Environment and Development.

* Sawyerr, Akilagpa (Ghana): Director of Research, Association of African Universities.

Simonis, Udo Ernst (Germany): Head, International Institute for Environment and Society, Berlin Science Centre.

Tansini, Ruben (Uruguay): Professor of Economics, University of Uruguay.

* Urrutia, Miguel (Colombia): Chairman, Board of Directors, Central Bank of Colombia.

Annex

Biographical information on the nominees to the Committee for Development Policy

Mária Agusztinovics (Hungary). Professor of Economics, University of Budapest; Senior Research Adviser to the Institute of Economics of the Academy of Sciences, Hungary; Vice-Chairman of the Committee of Operations Research, Academy of Sciences, Hungary; in 1992 elected by the Parliament of Hungary as member of the Supervisory Board of the Social Security Pension Fund. Previous positions include: Head, Department of Mathematical Modelling in the National Planning Bureau; visiting professor at various universities in Bangladesh, India and the United States of America; Research Fellow at the International Institute of Applied Systems Analysis in Laxenburg, Austria. Received professional education in Hungary. Research interests include macroeconomic theory, quantitative models for economic decision-making, and household life-cycle behaviour (including social-security issues). Editor of numerous journals and author of books and studies.

Maria Julia Alsogary (Argentina). Secretary of the Secretariat for Natural Resources and Human Environment. Former positions include: Vice-President, National Defence Commission of the National Chamber of Deputies; member, Commission of Foreign Relations, National Defence, Science and Technology; National Congresswomen for the Unión del Centro Democrático, Buenos Aires; delegate of Argentina to the Argentine/Uruguayan Economic Cooperation Agreement; adviser in the delegation to the Latin American Free Trade Association and various positions in the private sector. Received professional education in Argentina.

Makhtar Diouf (Senegal). Dean of Economics, University of St. Louis, Dakar; Chairman, Centre for Applied Economics; member, World Institute for Development Economics Research (WIDER) network. Previous positions include: Professor, University of Dakar; consultancies with various regional and international organizations. Received professional education in France. Research interests include determinants of growth in developing countries; macroeconomic, monetary and social issues in developing countries. Author of several books and articles.

Essam El-Hinnawi (Egypt). Research Professor of Natural Resources and Environment, National Research Centre, Cairo. Previous positions include: research positions in Egypt and abroad; consultant/adviser to various national and international organizations; Director, Office of the State of the Environment, United Nations Environment Programme. Received professional education in Egypt. Research interests in the areas of geochemistry, mineralogy, natural resources and environment. Author/editor of several books and numerous research papers.

Just Faaland (Norway). Member and Director, Christian Michelsen Institute, Norway. Previous positions include: Director-General, International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington, D.C.; President, Development Centre of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), Paris; Resident Representative, World Bank, Bangladesh; Director, Harvard University, Development Advisory Group, Malaysia Project; member, Harvard University Development Advisory Group, Pakistan Planning Commission and various selected assignments with national, regional and international organizations. Received professional education in Norway and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Author of numerous books and articles.

Eugenio B. Figueroa (Chile). Director, Centre of Environmental and Natural Resources Economics; Professor, Department of Economics, and Director, International Relations, School of Economic and Administrative Sciences, University of Chile. Other positions include: Visiting Professor and Research Adviser, Göteborg University (Sweden) and Universidad Austral de Chile; member of Environmental Commission, Centro de Estudios Publicos, Chile; member of several editorial boards; President and Director of the Board of Directors, Quince S.A. (Chile). Previous positions include: project director, international expert and consultant to various national, regional and international institutions. Received professional education in Canada, Chile and the United States. Author of books, book chapters and numerous articles.

Albert Fishlow (United States of America). Paul A. Volcker Senior Fellow for International Economics, Council on Foreign Relations, United States. Member of many task forces related to Latin American affairs; Chairman of Executive Committee of the Social Science Research Council. Previous positions include: Professor of Economics at the University of California, Berkeley; Dean of International and Area Studies, University of California, Berkeley; Professor of Economics and Director of the Center for International and Area Studies, Yale University; Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs. Received professional education in the United States. Research interests include economic history, Brazilian and Latin American development strategy, economic relations between industrialized and developing countries and the problem of foreign debt. Author of books and numerous articles.

Shangquan Gao (China). Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference; member, Overall Research and Coordinating Panel on National Economic and Social Development of the State Council; President, China Society of Enterprise Reform and Development and other institutions. Previous positions include: Vice-Minister, State Commission for Restructuring Economic System; head of Economic Reform Programming Office of the State Council; deputy head of Housing System Reform Leading Panel of the State Council. Received professional education in China. Author of several books and articles.

Leonid M. Grigoriev (Russian Federation). Since 1997 Director-General, Bureau of Economic Analysis. Prior to that, adviser to the Executive Director for Russia at the World Bank; Deputy Minister of Economic and Finance, head of the division on "problems of privatization", Institute of Economic Policy; and expert on various commissions on economic reform. Since 1988, Associate Professor of Economics at Moscow State University. Author of several books on various aspects of the economic transformation of the Russian Federation, with emphasis on foreign investment, capital markets, and privatization. Research interests include corporate investment and financing.

Patrick Guillaumont (France). Director, Centre for Study and Research for International Development, and Professor of Economics, at the University of Clermont-Ferrand. Member of several national and international advisory bodies on African and other development issues, notably on the least developed countries. Previous positions include: member of the National Science Research Council; Chairman, Commission for the Study of Research and Teaching of International Development; Associate Professor of Law at the Universities of Dakar and Clermont-Ferrand; Assistant Professor of Law, University of Paris; consultant to various international organizations and Governments. Received professional education in France. Author of numerous publications on economic development.

Ryokichi Hirono (Japan). Professor of Economics and Business, Seikei University, and Visiting Professor, University of Stellenbosch (South Africa). Visiting Fellow at a number of academic and related institutions in Japan. Previously taught at a variety of academic institutions in Australia, Japan, the United Kingdom and several developing countries. Member of many public-service bodies in Japan, including the Japan Foundation for the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies and the Advisory Committee on International Cooperation in Education. Formerly Assistant Administrator and Director, Bureau of Programme Policy and Evaluation, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Research interests include the process of economic reform in the socialist and formerly socialist countries in Asia.

Taher Kanaan (Jordan). Cabinet Member. Sometime consultant in economics and business. Previous positions include: General Manager, Industrial Development Bank of Jordan; Minister of Planning, Government of Jordan; Minister of Occupied Territories Affairs; Economic Adviser and Director of the Management Information System, Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development; Chief, External Financing and Development Branch, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. Received professional education in Lebanon and the United Kingdom. Research interests include development finance, agricultural development and input/output analysis.

Louka T. Katseli (Greece). Special Economic Adviser to the Prime Minister; Professor of Economics, University of Athens; Research Fellow, Centre of Economic Policy Research Foundation. Previous positions include: Associate Professor, Yale University; Director-General, Centre of Planning and Economic Research, Government of Greece. Received professional education in the United States. Research interests include exchange-rate policies in developing courtries, transmission of external price stocks in small open economies, macroeconomic policy, and structural adjustment. Author of several books and articles.

Nguyuru H. I. Lipumba (United Republic of Tanzania). Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Dar es Salaam, United Republic of Tanzania; visiting Professor, Williams College. Previous positions include: Economic Adviser to the President of the United Republic of Tanzania. Received professional education in the United Republic of Tanzania and the United States. Research interests include agricultural development, exchange-rate and stabilization policies, regional economic integration, international trade and African economic development. Author/editor of several publications and papers.

Solita C. Monsod (Philippines). Professor of Economics, University of the Philippines, and formerly Minister and Director of the National Economic and Development Authority; member, Board of Regents, Associate Professor, University of the Philippines; Executive Director, University of the Philippines Foundation; economist, Mathematica, Princeton, United States. Author of articles and policy papers on debt, development, management and fiscal policy. Associated with various public affairs associations and recipient of honours and awards. Received professional education in the Philippines and the United States of America.

P. Jayendra Nayak (India). Executive Trustee, Unit Trust of India since May 1996. From 1971 to 1996, worked as a civil servant. Joint Secretary in the Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, 1990–1995. In that capacity, participated in the evolution of capital-market policy and the empowerment of the capital-market regulator. Formerly on the Board of Directors of the Securities and Exchange Board of India. Published papers in economics and on issues concerning financial markets. Received his professional education in India and the United Kingdom.

Mari Elka Pangestu (Indonesia). Executive Director, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Jakarta, and Professor of Economics, University of Indonesia. Member of the supervisory board of Catholic University Atmajaya. On the Board of External Editors of several journals; member of advisory boards of the Nature Conservancy (Indonesia) and of The Newmarket Company (Washington, D.C.); member, Board of Directors of Overseas Development Council. Active as Coordinator of the Trade Policy Forum of the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council. Has published widely in Indonesian and international journals and other media. Received her professional education in Australia, Indonesia and the United States.

Milivoje Panić (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland). Fellow of Selwyn College, University of Cambridge, and Visiting Professor of International Economics, University of Milan. Held senior positions in the Government and at the Bank of England. Has sat on a number of international committees of experts, including OECD, the Bank for International Settlements, and the Economic Commission for Europe. Received his professional education in the United Kingdom.

Eul Yong Park (Republic of Korea). Vice-President and Professor of Economics and Management, Handong University. Formerly Senior Fellow and Director, Korea Development Institute, and senior adviser, UNDP. Also formerly coordinator of Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation and the Network on Economic Development Management. Held various positions as adviser and educator in the Republic of Korea and the United States. Author of several books and many scientific papers in international journals. Received his professional education in the Republic of Korea and the United States.

Bishnodat Persaud (Guyana). ALCAN Professor of Caribbean Sustainable Development, University of the West Indies, and Director, Centre for Environment and Development. Previous positions include Director and Head, Economic Affairs Division, Commonwealth Secretariat; member of the Board of Directors, Commonwealth Equity Fund; Director, Barbados Central Bank. Consultancies with national and international organizations. Received professional education in the United Kingdom. Research interests include Caribbean and international development issues; environment, agriculture, trade and finance. Author of numerous articles.

Akilagpa Sawyerr (Ghana). Professor of Law and Fellow, Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences. Director of Research, Association of African Universities; President, Council for the Development of Social Sciences in Africa. Previously taught law at various universities, including Alabama, Dar es Salaam, Northwestern, Papua New Guinea, and Yale. Member of the editorial board of several journals. Formerly, Vice-Chancellor, University of Ghana, Lagos; member, Panel of Arbitrators, International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes; and Chief Negotiator, Government of Ghana for Renegotiation of Valco Agreements. Educated in law in Ghana, the United Kingdom and the United States. Research interests include the political economy of adjustment policies and migration.

Udo Ernst Simonis (Germany). Head, International Institute for Environment and Society, Berlin Science Centre, and formerly Professor of Economics, Technical University of Berlin. Research interests include environmental perspectives of freshwater resources, environment in the International Development Strategy, and environment and poverty. Received his professional education in Germany. Author of several books and many articles. Member of several editorial boards.

Ruben Tansini (Uruguay). Director of the Department of Economics, University of Uruguay. Professor in Industrial Organization and Microeconomics, Department of Economics, University of Uruguay. Previously taught at universities in Barcelona, Gothenburg, Madrid and Siena. Held various advisory positions on Latin American development, education and science. Research interests focus on agricultural and industrial organization and technological developments, with particular emphasis on development issues in Latin America. Author of several studies on technological progress and transfer of technology in an open-economy setting, labour markets, industrial restructuring and modernizing agriculture. Received his professional education in Sweden and Uruguay.

Miguel Urrutia (Colombia). Chairman of the Board of Directors, Central Bank of Colombia, formerly Executive Director and Senior Research Economist, Foundation for Higher Education and Development, and Manager, Economic and Social Development Department, Inter-American Development Bank. Author of a number of books and articles in professional journals. Research interests include fiscal reform, financial liberalization in developing countries, and international problems of money and finance.